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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: WEEKEND ITC'S

REF: PARIS 2647

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM ESPEROU OF SGAC ADDRESSED TO RCAA REFERRING TO OUR LETTER OF LAST OCTOBER 4 (PARIS 23452) ON SUBJECT OF WEEKEND ITC'S AND REQUESTING THAT CAB GIVE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION TO REQUESTS FOR WAIVERS TO PERMIT OPERATION OF THESE FLIGHTS TO US "ON AN EXPERIMENTAL BASIS".

2. TEXT OF MAIN BODY OF LETTER FOLLOWS IN INFORMAL TRANSLATION:
"IN YOUR LETTER OF OCTOBER 4 AS WELL AS DURING SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSIONS YOU INFORMED ME THAT THE CATEGORY OF CHARTER FLIGHTS FOR SHORT-STAY ALL-INCLUSIVE TOURS, KNOWN AS "WEEKEND ITC'S", WHICH FRANCE PROPOSES TO INTRODUCE IN FRANCE-UNITED STATES TRAFFIC WAS NOT IN CONFORMITY WITH AMERICAN REGULATIONS, NAMELY PART 378, AND THAT UNDER THE TERMS OF EXISTING AGREEMENTS A PRIOR WAIVER SHOULD BE REQUESTED FROM THE CAB.

"THIS AFFAIR REMAINED DORMANT DURING THE WINTER PERIOD, BUT I HAVE THE HONOR TO INFORM YOU THAT AN IMPORTANT
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AMERICAN CHARTER COMPANY RECENTLY INFORMED ME OF ITS

DESIRE TO CARRY OUT SUCH FRENCH-ORIGIN FLIGHTS
DURING THE COMING SUMMER SEASON.

"THIS COMPANY ALSO INFORMED ME THAT ITS HEADQUARTERS
HAD INTRODUCED A REQUEST FOR A WAIVER WITH THE CAB AND
ASKED ME TO MAKE A SIMILAR DEMARCHE.

"SINCE THERE APPEARS TO BE A SIZEABLE MARKET FOR END OF
THE WEEK ITC'S THAT IS LIKELY TO INTEREST SEVERAL
CARRIERS, I HAVE THE HONOR TO ASK YOU TO INTERVENE WITH
THE CAB IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A WAIVER, IF NECESSARY ON AN
EXPERIMENTAL BASIS, OF PART 378 OF THE CAB'S ECONOMIC
REGULATIONS."

3. RE MENTION IN ABOVE LETTER OF "SUBSEQUENT
DISCUSSIONS", THIS CAN ONLY REFER TO PASSING REFERENCE
TO WEEKEND ITC'S MADE DURING RECENT LUNCHEON WITH
ESPEROU AS REPORTED PARA 2 REFTEL. WE HAD NOT OTHER-
WISE PURSUED MATTER WITH SGAC IN ABSENCE OF
INSTRUCTIONS PENDING RECEIPT THEIR REACTION TO OUR
OCTOBER 4 LETTER.

4. US CARRIER TO WHICH ESPEROU LETTER REFERS IS OF
COURSE WORLD AIRWAYS.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE STATUS OF CAB
ACTION ON WORLD AIRWAYS' WAIVER APPLICATION AS REQUESTED
REFTEL IN ORDER THAT WE MAY REPLY TO SGAC. IT IS
UNUSUAL FOR SGAC TO BE MAKING A DEMARCHE TO US IN
SUPPORT OF A US CARRIER, EVEN THOUGH OF COURSE GOF
INTERESTS ARE ALSO AT STAKE AS SGAC SEEKS TO GAIN CAB
ACCEPTANCE OF ITS WEEKEND ITC RULE. IF FOR ANY
REASON CAB DECISION ON WORLD AIRWAYS' WAIVER
APPLICATION SHOULD BE NEGATIVE, WE WOULD HOPE THEREFORE
TO BE IN A POSITION TO PROVIDE SGAC WITH DETAILED
REASONS FOR CAB ACTION AS WELL AS SUGGESTING WHAT IF
ANY FURTHER RECOURSE SGAC MIGHT HAVE IN EXPLORING
POSSIBILITIES FOR OPERATION OF THESE FLIGHTS ON A
TRIAL BASIS TO US.

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